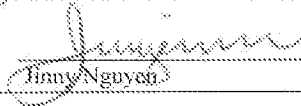


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NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 CFR §41.31

Sir:

In the Final Office Action dated January 25, 2006, and in the Advisory Action dated April 12, 2006, the Examiner rejected Claims 1-28. In response, Applicant hereby appeals to the Board the decision of the Primary Examiner. An Appellant's Brief will be filed within two months from the date of this notice.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of **\$500.00** is enclosed for payment of the Notice of Appeal filing fee to Deposit Account No. 09-0460 (IBM Corporation). Also, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required by this communication to Deposit Account 09-0460 (IBM Corporation).

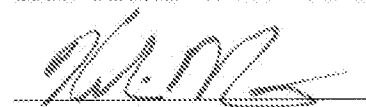
If any unresolved issues remain, please contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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